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I would like to register my dissatisfaction with the current form of the Microsoft settlement. I don't feel that the settlement does enough to provide reparations for those companies that were harmed by Microsoft's monopolistic anti-competitive behaviour.

More importantly, I don't believe the settlement does enough to ensure that they will cease their illegal actions. Even after they were found guilty (and then reaffirmed guilty by the appeals court), they continued to engage in unfair and anti-competitive behaviour.

I believe that this hastily proposed settlement does very little to stop these actions in the future, and also does little in the way of creating means for a competitor to the Windows and Office platforms to emerge.

Obtaining a better settlement is in the national interest. Without it, we will be locked into a single company to provide a critical part of our national infrastructure.

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